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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

WILLARS et al.

Atty. Ref.: 2380-122

Serial No. 09/286,471

TC/A.U.: 2681

Filed: April 6, 1999

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

For: INTER-SYSTEM HANDOVER --
GENERIC HANDOVER MECHANISM

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July 8, 2005

MAIL STOP PETITIONS
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION REQUESTING ACTION ON APPLICATION

It is respectfully requested that the US Patent Office respond to Applicants' Third Status Inquiry regarding the captioned application, and take (or advise) whatever action is need to obtain examination of the captioned application.

Facts

1. The captioned application was filed on April 6, 1999 and afforded the above-referenced serial number.

2. A first Status Inquiry was filed on October 8, 2001. A response from the Patent Office was subsequently received stating that "an expected date for action should be approximately November 2001."

3. A second Status Inquiry was filed on October 8, 2002. A response from the Patent Office was received on November 21, 2002 stating "We project that this application will be first examined in 0 to 3 months from today."

4. A third Status Inquiry was filed on October 6, 2004. No response has been received.

5. Attached is PAIR printout (dated July 7, 2005) showing that the application was "docketed to Examiner in GAU" for a third time on April 8, 2003. The PAIR printout also shows a cryptic, not-understood April 8, 2004 entry "Duplicate case has been deactivated". The PAIR printout further indicates a status of "Missassigned application number."

6. No files of Nixon & Vanderhye, paper or computerized, show receipt of any office action or substantive communication from the US Patent Office for the captioned application, and in fact no communication from the US Patent Office after the November 21, 2002 response to Status Request. Nor does the PAIR printout show mailing of any office action or substantive communication.

7. Applicants filed a similar application with same title on April 1, 1999, which was afforded Serial Number 09/283,919. Applicants did not respond to communications from the US Patent Office with respect to the earlier-filed Serial Number 09/283,919, and permitted abandonment of the 09/283,919 application, with the intention of pursuing the captioned application instead.

Relief Sought

It is respectfully requested that the US Patent Office respond to Applicants' Status Inquiries, and moreover advance prosecution of the captioned application. If for any reason the application has been incorrectly discarded or deemed abandoned by the US Patent Office, Applicants request that the US Patent Office on its own initiative make appropriate corrective remedy. If the application has been discarded or deemed abandoned by the US Patent Office for any alleged action or inaction of Applicants, Applicants request an explanation and an opportunity to take any remedial action.


The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's deposit account #14-1140 in whatever amount is necessary for entry of these papers and the continued pendency of the captioned application, including any Petition Fee. It is hoped, under the

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apparent circumstances, that a Petition fee or any other fee would not be assessed against the Applicants.

Respectfully submitted,

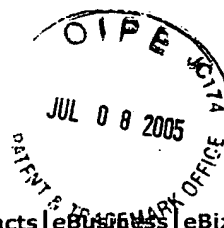
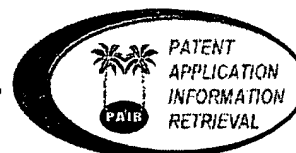
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